

You make their holidays bright!



Thanksgiving Feast November 25

HomeLight Family Living Holiday Party

December 13 **Christmas Day Feast** December 25



If you cannot drop off donations in person, you can order them from The Midnight Mission's

wish list!

Order from the Midnight's

Amazon wish list and have

them shipped here! To learn more - and for the link to our wish list – visit MidnightMission.org.

Never Take a Holiday

Your donation of food and other items will help

feed and care for those this holiday season who need it most. Thank you!

Turkey

Glazed ham

Potatoes

Yams

Butter

Stuffing

Toys and books

To donate, please call Blake Lindquist at

(213) 624-9258, ext. 2205.

Make a gift or donate to the MidnightMission.org

Here's my gift to feed and care for those in need this Holiday season.

\$25.33 for 17 meals and care
\$50.66 for 34 meals and care
\$77.48 for 52 meals and care

\$ to help as much as possible

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Make this a monthly gift				
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It's easy to give your gift online: MidnightMission.org

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The **MIDNIGHT** JOURNEY

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Holiday 2021

"Back on my feet..."

Paul will be the first to tell you that he does NOT want to end up back on the streets now that he has the tools he needs to make a better life for himself.

He will also be among the first to thank you for your support, which has made it possible for him – and thousands of others – to leave homelessness and hunger behind.

> Read more of his story inside.



Holiday Events and Wish List

MidnightMission.org



CEO'S MESSAGE



"REJOICE!"

The holidays are a time for celebration and rejoicing.

But how hard is it to rejoice if you are hungry? Or homeless? If you're battling an addiction? Or if you are living in a cardboard "tent" on Skid Row?

For 107 years, The Midnight Mission has provided compassionate care to individuals and families experiencing homelessness. No matter what they have been through, they are treated with dignity and respect and offered tools to help them make changes that last.

Most importantly, people are given a very clear message that there is hope for a better life.

You can help us share this message of hope each and every day!

Hope is shared with those who come to The Midnight Mission for a simple meal, with individuals who are building better lives in our recovery programs, and families finding housing and a new direction for their lives at the HomeLight Living Center.

Hope comes with every piece of clothing and every cup of coffee we distribute.

It's an integral part of our Healthy Living and Job Readiness programs.

With your help and support, everyone seeking help at The Midnight Mission will have the opportunity to find more than food, shelter, and care; they will find hope and a future.

REJOICE!

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G. Michael Arnold President & CEO The Midnight Mission

"So grateful for all that's been given."

omeless "off and on" for nearly 10 years, Paul tried to find work while living on the streets and struggling with a drinking problem.

Desperate to overcome his addiction and homelessness. Paul came to The Midnight Mission and began taking part in programs that would provide him with a pathway to self-sufficiency.

While Paul is grateful for "having meals and a roof over his head," the real progress he has made comes from his willingness to utilize the tools that the programs at The Midnight Mission provides.

"Hardworking and reliable."

Through working at The Midnight Mission, Paul learned how to handle responsibility, work with others, and

not to let his frustrations get the best of him. His excellent work ethic and positive attitude has helped him excel in his work therapy position in The Midnight's Transportation Department.



When he faces difficulties today, his heart reminds him that he came here to get help. Paul doesn't want to end up back on the streets, and he stays motivated by

> watching others. He sees how people needlessly suffer when they don't utilize the tools provided to them in the program.

"With the help I've gotten from The Midnight, I know I'll be able to do better and get back on my feet."

Paul is saving the money he earns and looks forward to getting a place of his own and moving on to the next steps in his recovery. He continues to do the next right thing to create a better life for himself.

"I want to tell people who are new to the program to have a plan and take advantage of all the opportunities The Midnight Mission has to offer."

Thank you for making a difference in Paul's life through vour partnership!

A Four-Star Rating!

The Midnight strives to be a good steward of the gifts that you generously provide. That's why we are honored to have received a four-star rating from Charity Navigator for the sixth consecutive year.

Thank you for your trust and for partnering with The

Midnight to help those in Los Angeles who need it

MidnightMission.org or CharityNavigator.org.

For more information, please visit

Receiving four out of four stars indicates that The Midnight Mission adheres to good governance and other best practices that minimize the chance of wasteful or unethical activities.

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Help set another place at the holiday table...

\$1.49 feeds and cares for one person.

\$5.96 feeds and cares for a family of four.

Mail your gift today or donate online at MidnightMission.org.

THANK YOU!

1 Million Meals – and Counting!

More than 1,000,000 meals in 2021 Homeless individuals receiving safe

shelter each night

Individuals in Transitional Housing and Job Readiness programs

Families no longer homeless thanks to HomeLight Family housing

Thanks to you, homeless neighbors who needed help have found it at The Midnight Mission.





Here's what **YOUR GIFTS** have provided this year!

> 2020-2021 Year in Review

> > 680,173 nutritious meals

> > > 10,324 hot showers

> > > 58,905 hygiene kits

6.271 nights of safe shelter

17.750 food boxes distributed

> 10,897 volunteer hours

5.010 barber/beauty shop visits

> 2.657 attended AA/NA meetings

> > 26

families in crisis served at HomeLight

Thank you for your gifts and support, which make these services possible!